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Inventor: Paul A. Frechette et al

For: PROGRAMMABLE DELAY, TRANSPARENT SWITCHING  
MULTI-PORT INTERFACE LINE CARD

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